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APD Child Abuse Detectives Seek Assistance in Sexual Assault of a Child Case

On September 21, 2010 the Austin Police Department Child Abuse Unit received a call stating that a child had been molested by a friend's father while she was being homeschooled at a home school co-op during 2007 and 2008.

On Wednesday, October 13, 2010 Richard "Rick" Charles Sweeten was arrested by the APD Fugitive Apprehension Unit for Sexual Assault of a Child, 2nd Degree Felony related to APD incident 10-5051474.

For many years Sweeten has been involved in a home school co-op and has had access to many children. The APD Child Abuse Unit is seeking the public's assistance in locating any other potential victims who may have visited, attended and/or been homeschooled at his residence.

Media Advisory: A booking photo of Sweeten is attached.

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